

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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RE: Petition by the Tennessee Telecommunications Association to Exempt Voice Messaging from Regulation (Docket No. 00-00823)

Dear Messrs. Grimes & May:

The Tennessee Regulatory Authority requests the following information regarding the above-captioned Petition:

1. Describe in detail the relief sought by the TTA.
2. Provide the following information for the service area of each TTA member company:
 - a. A list of those companies who supply voice messaging services that compete with the voice messaging services that TTA member companies supply to their customers.
 - b. The competitive voice messaging services that each competitor provides;
 - c. The rates charged by each competitor for each service.
3. Have TTA members reduced prices for voice messaging services in response to competing offers for such services? Provide summaries of all such rate reductions and the competitive offerings that prompted them.
4. Provide a listing of tariffed services by company that are included in the TTA's Petition.
5. Specify how the remedy proposed in the above-captioned Petition would affect accounting procedures of telecommunications service providers:
 - a. To which accounts are the revenue and associated costs booked today? (Separate by regulated and non-regulated accounts.)
 - b. To which accounts does the TTA propose to book revenues and associated costs? (Separate by regulated and non-regulated accounts.)

6. Specify the cost and revenue impact of the proposed changes:
 - a. For price-regulated companies, specify the proposed changes to the price cap calculation if this Petition is approved.
 - b. For rate-of-return regulated companies, specify proposed changes to:
 - (1) Revenues
 - (2) Costs
 - (3) Rate base
7. Supply the following data for the territory served by TTA's member companies:
 - a. The number of lines equipped with voice mail by month over the past three years (1998-2000). Separate this data by residence and business.
 - b. List the number of total access lines by month over the past three years (1998-2000). Separate this data by residence and business.
8. If this Petition is approved, do the TTA member companies anticipate increasing voice mail rates?
9. Supply all other justification to support the TTA's Petition to exempt the services under this statute.

Please submit the requested information by February 2, 2000.

Sincerely,


David Waddell
Executive Secretary

cc: Docket File